



Docket No.: 1293.1073C

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

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Application No.: 10/756,423

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Examiner: Christopher O Onuaku

For: RECORDING MEDIUM FOR STORING VIRTUALLY DELETED STILL PICTURE
INFORMATION, RECORDING AND/OR REPRODUCING METHOD AND APPARATUS
THEREFOR

COMMENTS REGARDING STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In the Notice of Allowability mailed September 25, 2006, the Examiner provides a Statement on Reasons for Allowance in which the Examiner asserts that U.S. Patent No. 6,047,103 alone or in combination with U.S. Patent No. 6,332,194 discloses certain features of claims 1 and 31, but does not disclose or suggest other features of the claims 1 and 31. However, it is unclear from the record which portions of U.S. Patent No. 6,047,103 alone or in combination with U.S. Patent No. 6,332,194 disclose such features, or which evidence of record supports a motivation to make any such combination. As such, it is respectfully submitted that U.S. Patent No. 6,047,103 alone or in combination with U.S. Patent No. 6,332,194 may also not disclose or suggest additional features in addition to or instead of the features as characterized by the Examiner.

As specified in MPEP 1302.14, "care must be taken to ensure that such reasons are accurate, precise, and do not place unwarranted interpretations, whether broad or narrow, upon the claims." It is submitted that the Examiner's Statement does not meet these standards and, instead, raises "possible misinterpretations... and possible estoppel effects" (MPEP 1302.14) and, accordingly, should be disregarded.

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It is further submitted that the claim speaks for itself and should not be interpreted based on the Examiner's characterizations of same. It is also submitted that the claim provides its own best evidence as to the reasons for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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